s17 Geometric Series Exam (EXAM v304)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a = 553, common ratio $r = \left(\frac{44}{79}\right)^{1/10}$, and n = 10 terms.

$$S = 553 + 521.56 + 491.92 + 463.95 + 437.58 + 412.7 + 389.24 + 367.12 + 346.25 + 326.56$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS = 521.56 + 491.92 + 463.95 + 437.58 + 412.7 + 389.24 + 367.12 + 346.25 + 326.56 + 308$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 3 + 3(4) + 3(4)^{2} + 3(4)^{3} + \cdots + 3(4)^{70} + 3(4)^{71} + 3(4)^{72} + 3(4)^{73}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.